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**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

**STEAMSHIP "KUMERIC"**  
**FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-**  
**HAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.**

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to

and in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

**DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,**  
Agents.

FROM EUROPE

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"BRISGAVIA,"

Captain Schweinhagen, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignee's risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-

Expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st prox., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 1st inst, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

**HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,**  
Hongkong Office.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [294]

**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.**

**THE Steamship**

**"GOEBEN."**

Having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st of April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st of April, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 4th of April, 1909, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

**T**HE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamer  
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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd April, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee, and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1900.

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Hongkong, 16th April, 1905.

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Agent,  
Hong Kong, 29th March, 1962.

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## BIRTHS.

On March 14, 1909, at Kowloon, to the Rev. and Mrs. Charles S. Keco, a son, (MAURICE FISCHER).

On March 21, 1909, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. THOS. W. FOLL, a daughter.

On March 24, 1909, the wife of A. L. BECHYNDEN, of a son.

## DEATHS.

Feb. 20, LILLIAN CRAWFORD, of North Finchley, widow of late Dr. R. F. Crawford, of Hongkong, aged 68.

On March 23, 1909, at Shanghai, FREDERIC CHARTON JONES, aged 50 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1909.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AMONG recently elected members of the Royal Society of Arts are Percy Birkett, A.M.I.Mech.E., Explosives Factory, Hirasaka; and Thomas Kershaw, M.I.Mech.E., of Kobe, Japan.

We are informed by the Colonial Secretary that regulations under the Venice Sanitary Convention have been imposed on all arrivals from Hongkong at ports of the Madras Presidency.

A GROUP of Harbin citizens has submitted a novel petition to the Chinese Eastern Railway Co., viz., for the abolition of Harbin municipal autonomy, on the ground that since its institution, taxation has enormously increased, and that the municipal authorities, in the imposition of taxes, disregard the taxable capacity of the people and the contemporary state of trade.

## THE POST OFFICE PROSECUTION.

FURTHER EVIDENCE TAKEN.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, the hearing was resumed of the case in which William Nuttall, a 19-year-old youth, is charged with the alleged removing of postage stamps from a number of parcels. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, while Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell) represented the defence.

Mr. Bowley said that Mr. Martin, Superintendent of Registration, wished to correct his last evidence. Mr. Martin, on going into the witness-box, stated that with regard to parcel 76, the deficiency was fifty cents; 77, fifty cents; 86, sixty cents and 96, sixty cents. The total was therefore 220 cents, and not 260, as was stated on the last occasion.

Mr. Goldring—Up to the second hearing of the case, nothing had been heard of parcels 76, 77, 86 and 96. What is the deficiency on Nos. 105, 107, 108 and 109?

Mr. Martin—I don't know.

—You did not mention the other parcels on the last hearing?—No.

You can't say the deficiency on 105, 107, 108 and 109?—Not definitely.

Defendant lives with his parents?—Yes.

You know his father well?—Very well, indeed.

As a matter of fact, it was partly on his recommendation that you kept him?—Yes.

Mr. C. McI. Messer, Postmaster-General, stated that on the 19th inst. he went to the Registration Office at about 1.30 p.m. Mr. Martin was away at the time. On going on his usual way round the premises, he noticed Mr. Britto opening a London parcel box with a Chinese coolie. After the parcels are mailed and packed, they are usually placed in the Registration Office. He noticed one parcel in the London box which bore no stamps. Witness ordered the rest of the parcels to be taken from the box, when three other parcels were found to be deficient in stamps. They all showed stamp signs. He consulted the receipt book and found that the defendant had entered the parcels. He summoned defendant to his presence and informed him that the deficiency was to be made up.

Detective-Sergeant Watt stated that he arrested the defendant on the 19th inst. He met defendant opposite his house, No. 9, St. Francis Street, and informed him that he was going to arrest him on suspicion of having removed postage stamps from parcels, at the same time administering the usual caution. They then proceeded to No. 9, where they found defendant's mother. Witness searched defendant and found some stamps on his person. He was told by defendant that the latter did not remove the postage stamps but had merely picked them up from the floor of the Post Office, and that he could explain that to Mr. Messer. Witness also searched defendant's chest of drawers but found no loose stamps.

Mr. Goldring submitted that the prosecution had failed to make out any case by which defendant could be found guilty of the offence with which he was charged. The evidence was very inconsistent and bore out what was admitted by the defence—extreme carelessness on defendant's part. It would be the last thing that defendant was likely to do if he had removed any stamps at all—to have removed them from his own parcels, and said that the prosecution had not disclosed sufficient evidence to convict defendant.

Defendant was allowed to go into the witness-box, where he was cross-examined at great length.

Sergeant Watt was recalled and spoke to having found some money on defendant's person.

The case was adjourned to Thursday, at 2.15 p.m., in order to take the evidence of defendant's father.

## PARI-MUTUEL IN JAPAN.

HORSE RACE BILL PASSED BY REPRESENTATIVES.

On the 26th instant the House of Representatives passed the Horse Race Bill, which proposes to allow the issue of pari-mutuel tickets under certain conditions. The measure was introduced by those members of the House interested in the racing clubs, with the support of the Constitutionalists.

The Chairman of the Committee on the Bill reported that it had been adopted. The Government delegate announced that the Government was altogether opposed to the measure. Mr. Tomijima, a Yushinsei member, said it was absolutely wrong to allow gambling by a special Horse Race Law when it was prohibited by the Criminal Code. Mr. Seki, a Progressist, who is the president of a horse race club, supported the Bill, and the debate was then closed, the Bill being carried to a second reading.

Mr. Matsuda, a Yushinsei member, then moved that the latter clause Article III. of the bill, which precludes the application of the Criminal Code to the pari-mutuel at horse races, be struck out. A vote was taken by signed ballots on Mr. Matsuda's motion, which was lost, and the Bill was carried to the third reading and finally passed.

Mr. Muto Kinkichi, a Constitutionalist, remarked that when the Bill had been put to the vote on the second reading, Mr. Sakamoto Yachiro moved that the vote be taken by signed ballot in order to make it clear "whether the members of the House would vote with the men or with the horses." Such a motion was an insult to the House. Mr. Muto moved that Mr. Sakamoto be submitted to the disciplinary committee.

Mr. Ooka, a Constitutionalist leader, moved that the debate on the motion be postponed, and the House assented.—Japan Chronicle.

CAMBRIDGE has decided to confer the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa, upon Sven Hedin, Ph.D., whilst Oxford proposes the honorary degree of D. Litt. for Dr. Mark Aurel Stein, Inspector-General of Education in the North-West Frontier Province of India and in Baluchistan.

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

As the outcome of the numerous complaints from the shareholders, Kam-Yim, a member of the Board of Directors of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company, has now found it inexpedient for him to remain on the Directorate any longer. He has therefore tendered his resignation from the post.

In reply to the telegraphic despatch of the Canton Railway Shareholders' Union, H.E. Chang Chih Tung, superintendent of the Canton-Hankow Railway, has wired to Canton to the effect that the collection of the 2nd call on shares by the various institutions for the Canton-Hankow Railway Company be not stopped until the examination of the accounts of the company by shareholders has been finished. On receipt of the above telegram, the different charitable institutions are now continuing to receive payments of the 2nd call on shares for the company.

DELIMITATION OF MACAO. Yesterday, at the mass meeting held at Ming Lun Tong in connection with the question of the delimitation of Macao, it was decided by the majority of those present that a separate society should be formed, with its offices in a certain building opposite the Vicerey's yamen, to conduct negotiations regarding same in co-operation with the Special Envoy, H. E. Ko Yu Him. A committee was therefore elected and charged with the responsibility of the formation of the society. Another meeting has again been arranged to take place on the 1st April next for the same purpose.

DISASTROUS FIRE. On the 25th instant, at about 8 p.m., a fire broke out in Wai Qi Street through the indiscriminate firing of crackers, as a result of which one building was burnt down. About the same time another outbreak of fire took place in a shop at Ching Hoi Moon through the careless use of kerosene oil. In the shop, where the fire originated, there was a large quantity of combustible material. In a short space of time the fire spread over a large area. Black columns of smoke and bright tongues of flames were seen shooting up to the sky. The different fire brigades lost no time in proceeding to the scene of the outbreak. The members of the Red Cross Society were also present on the spot to render assistance. They have now under their care half-a-dozen persons who sustained serious injuries as a result of the outbreak.

OFFICIAL AMENITIES. At 11 o'clock this morning H.E. Vicerey Chang Jen Chun received the American Consul-General at Canton.

A FOREIGNER'S ANTICS. On the evening of the 24th instant, a certain foreigner created a disturbance while under the influence of liquor in Yuen Cheung Street close to the Steam Ferry wharf of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The police quickly appeared on the scene and removed the disorderly one to Shamoon.

SLAUGHTER HOUSE FOR SHAU-KI-WAN.

ESTIMATE OF COST.

The following reply from Government was received by the Sanitary Board relative to the question of a slaughter house for Chau-ki-wan and laid on the table at the fortnightly meeting of the Board this afternoon:—

Colonial Secretary's Office, 15th March, 1909.

Sir,—Referring to your letter No. 844 of the 9th instant, I am directed to state that an estimate of the cost of a slaughter house at Chau-ki-wan has been called for with a view to the further consideration of the project in connection with the Exemptions for 1910.

I am, etc.

F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.The Secretary,  
Sanitary Board.

THE Peking and Tientsin Times states that Admiral Truppel, civil and military Governor of Kiaochow, will go on home leave about the beginning of April. He will be absent six months, and during the interim Captain Meyer-Waldeck will be acting Governor.

RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 28th March, 1909:—

	Library.	Museum.
Non-Chinese.....	430	284
Chinese.....	254	3,277
Total.....	683	3,561

It has been discovered by the Minister of Civil Office in Peking that there are some 80,000 dismissed or degraded officials who are entitled to re-instatement by special grace on the occasion of the new reign, and these officials are availing themselves of the opportunity to pour in their applications to be restored to their ranks.

Mr. Arnold, of the Pathé Photo-Cinema China, proceeded against one Casley, of the Star Cinematograph, in the Police Court to-day for copying the trade-mark of the well-known "Cock" brand and applying the same to defraud the public. The defendant was fined \$50 and ordered to pay \$50 costs. The films were ordered to be forfeited and to be returned to the owner in seven days.

A LUNCH was given by the Comité de l'Asie Française in honour of M. Bapin, French Minister at Peking, who has just returned to Paris, as well as to Captain d'Ollone and Lieutenant Fleurelle, of the d'Ollone Mission, and others. M. Senart presided, and amongst those present were M. Milnes-Lacroix, M. Kurino, Ambassador of Japan, and the Siamese Minister. The health of the guests was drunk after lunch.

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

DEATH OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL.

We are courteously informed by Messrs. Melchers &amp; Co., the local agents, that they have received a telegram from Bremen, stating that the Director-General of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Dr. Heinrich Wiegand, died yesterday afternoon at Homburg vor der Höhe near Wiesbaden.

Dr. Heinrich Wiegand was born at Bremen on the 17th of August, 1855, and received his intellectual training first at the town grammar-school and later on at the Gymnasium at Bremen, where he passed his departing examination in autumn 1874. At the Universities of Erlangen, Bonn, Berlin and Strasbourg Wiegand was studying the law from 1874 until 1877, and passed the preliminary examination 1878 at Göttingen, where he then joined the Government service, his intention being to later on join the Imperial Railway Service. However, private matters made it necessary for him to return to Bremen in 1879. During the same year Wiegand passed the final examination and became a Doctor-Juris, after which he settled down in Bremen as a lawyer. As he mainly had in view matters concerning the commercial and maritime laws, consequently in the course of time he became more and more the adviser to the big shipping institutions. On the 15th of February, 1889, Wiegand joined the Norddeutscher Lloyd as a Counsellor. After the death of Director Lohmann in 1893 Dr. Wiegand was asked to accept the position of Director-General of the Norddeutscher Lloyd.

## JAPANESE SHIPPING COMPANIES.

THE TOYO KISEN KAISHA REPORTED HEAVY LOSS. According to Japanese papers, says the Japan Chronicle, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has lost ¥800,000 on its working for the last half-year and no dividend will be paid either on ordinary or preference shares. The accounts are to be laid before a general meeting on the 30th instant. According to the explanations given by the directors, the loss is due mainly to the serious depression in the carrying trade. In addition the company had to pay no small amount in fees and interest on a loan of ¥4,000,000 raised during the period. The action of the company in disclosing the loss to the shareholders for the period and in refraining from distributing a dividend, is commendable, both for the sake of the company and the shareholders. By this action the company will be able to balance the loss brought over and will be placed on a steadier foundation. It is believed the loss will be entirely made good if the distribution of a dividend is dispensed with for the next twelve months—that is, for two periods.

In the opinion of independent observers, says the Hoch, the company has been losing for a long time. The cause of the loss is ascribed to various factors. From the first the company committed a blunder in its scheme for building ships, and locked up an immense amount of capital. The company has also lost heavily by the failure of its South American service, and the losses resulting from these factors have been aggravated by the depression in the shipping trade. Sympathy is felt for the board of directors, who laboured strenuously and managed to struggle along, but none the less such a policy cannot be sanctioned. The company has lost on its working for several periods preceding, yet it continued to distribute dividends by drawing on the reserve. Last year the company refrained from distributing a dividend on the old shares and issued preferential shares, increasing the capital. Now a loss has been disclosed of ¥800,000. If the loss has been gradually accumulating, continues the Hoch, then the board of directors was not frank with the public when the preferential shares were issued. There may be some reasons which have induced the company now to disclose the loss, but the shareholders, taken by surprise at the disclosure, may feel suspicious, and it is expected that a great deal of discussion will arise at the coming general meeting of shareholders.

## THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

The Hoch remarks that the result of the working of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the present half-year, ending the 31st instant, cannot be known with precision before the reports have been received from the branches. The depression in the carrying trade reached a climax last year, freight declining day by day. The profit of the American line of the Company has fallen off by 30 to 35 per cent. from that of a normal year, and the China and European lines have also suffered to some extent. It is expected that the net profit for the present half-year will show a serious decrease, and the rate of dividend may not exceed 8 per cent. instead of 12 per cent. as usual.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 30th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression, lying to the South of Japan yesterday, is moving away over the Pacific between the S.E. coast and the Bopics.

Pressure has increased in N.E. Japan, and given way over China, particularly on the N.E. coast. It is highest over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Fresh to moderate N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

## FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. and E. winds, fresh to moderate, fair, cloudy.

2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Malacca, same as No. 1.

## DISEASE AMONG CATTLE.

KENNEDY TOWN INFECTED.

The following letter was received from Mr. Adam Gibson, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, and considered at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held this afternoon:—

Sir,—I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that a case of anthrax occurred at Kennedy Town last night.

The bullock was admitted yesterday morning to the Depot and was put apart in the segregation shed under suspicion. It was found dead this morning.

The animal came with 15 others from Pak-hoi and these have also been placed under observation, but show no signs of illness.—I have, etc.

ADAM GIBSON,  
Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.  
The Secretary,  
Sanitary Board.

## THE SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE LEASED TERRITORY.

At a meeting of the Committee on the proposed Bill relating to the reorganisation of currency circulation in the leased territory in Manchuria, held on the afternoon of the 15th instant in the Diet building, Mr. Shirai, President of the Civil Administrative Office, and Mr. Ishii, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, made some observations on the South Manchurian Railway and the development of the leased territory.

"It is impossible," said Mr. Shirai, "for us to announce the great object we have in view in our Manchurian undertaking, but the principle on which the Kwantung Government works is to develop and complete the South Manchurian Railway, so that the leased territory may flourish and prosper. Regarding undertakings on the leased territory, there are a number to be carried out, such as harbour improvements, completion of equipments for cities, and the establishment of schools. The protection of life and property has been secured as far as possible through the organisation of guards, both garrison and police. Unfortunately, the leased territory from Chauchung to Port Arthur is such a narrow strip of land that it can be crossed in a step, as it were, and owing to this circumstance we have experienced considerable difficulty in carrying out our operations promptly and effectively. The problem of protecting railway travellers from the depredations of train robbers, to which the Kwantung Government has always paid much attention, is now under close consideration by us, and the question now resolves itself into a need for better obviating discomfort to the passengers and for guarding them more efficiently. As one means to attain this object we placed a guard in the last car of each train, but in the result this was not found very satisfactory as there were no facilities for extending assistance from one car to another, so that the guard was powerless when danger did arrive.

Regarding the resources of Manchuria, we have begun an investigation into the prospects for mining which we hope to complete this year, but it must not be forgotten that our sphere of action is limited to Fuchow and Antung, in the neutral territory, beyond which we do not expect to pursue our investigations. It has come to our notice that a promising mine has been discovered near the railroad of the South Manchurian line, and one of the officials of the railway has already made some investigations.

"The area of the leased territory does not exceed 70,000 cho at the outside, while the number of inhabitants is nearly 400,000. Emigrants are for the most part restricted to the merchant and industrial class."

Following on this speech, Mr. Ishii rose and made a few remarks about the questions of the parallel line and equal opportunity in Manchuria.

"Our final aim," he said, "being to derive the greatest profit from our Manchurian undertakings, we must take a firm stand against any attempt to invade our interest and must defend the right secured by the Peking Treaty. The words 'open door' and 'equal opportunity' arise from the necessity of opposing the idea conveyed by the phrase 'sphere of influence,' and their observance is essential for the development of commerce and industry in Manchuria."

NOISE IN THE LOBBIES.

SIKH POLICEMAN GETS SEVEN DAYS.

Crowds of Chinese and other natives who have nothing to do hang about the Police Courts every day and make a good deal of noise with their chattering. The Magistrates are very patient, but their tempers have been sorely tried of late. The Singapore Free Press of 23rd inst. says:—In this respect the Court downstairs is the worst, and Mr. Howard and Mr. de Mello and the members of the bar have had to complain frequently of late. The Court people and the native police in Court are too lazy to keep any order. Punishing the peons and the native police on duty in Court would soon put a stop to the annoyance.

In the District Court, yesterday, the usher had to keep order himself. He had two Sikhs arrested for fighting in the entrance hall. These two men were placed in the dock before Mr. Howard on a charge of disorderly conduct in a public place.

A Kling policeman said he saw them pushing each other and making a row.

It appeared that the men had been quarrelling about bail. One of them, a P.C., was charged with making a false statement. The other man had bailed him out and wished to withdraw the bail. Hence the noise.

His honour sentenced the P.C. to seven days imprisonment and discharged the other man. The P.C. wept. He had just been freed 24 for refusing to pay (tam hie).

## SANITARY BOARD SECRETARYSHIP.

MR. WOODCOCK'S RETIREMENT.

The following reply from Government was received in connection with the secretaryship and principal clerkship of the Sanitary Department and laid on the table at the meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon:—

Colonial Secretary's Office, 24th March, 1909.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that, in view of the present constitution of the Sanitary Department, it is considered that the duties of the Secretary to the Sanitary Board are no longer so responsible or arduous as they were when there was no separate Head of the Department.

2. An opportunity offers to transfer Mr. G. A. Woodcock, the present Secretary, elsewhere, and it is accordingly proposed to reduce the salary attached to the appointment from its present figure to a rate of £360, raising by triangular increments of £50 to £450 per annum.

3. The post will be offered, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to Mr. C. F. W. Bowen-Rowlands.

4. It is further proposed to abolish the post of Principal Clerk, as it is not considered that such an officer is necessary when the Head of the Department devotes the whole of his time to the Department.

5. I am to request you to lay this letter before the Board.

I am, etc.

F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.The Head,  
Sanitary Department.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak intimated (Even if members wish to retain Mr. Woodcock's services, I do not suppose it can be done. All who know him, I am sure, sincerely regret that he is to be taken away from the Sanitary Board. Ever since he was appointed Secretary, as the oldest unofficial member, I can say without hesitation that Mr. Woodcock has invariably discharged his onerous duties most assiduously and conscientiously. My colleagues on the Sanitary Commission will no doubt concur with me in saying this. In all matters connected with the previous Board, he had always been polite and considerate, not only to members and European inquirers for information, who came to the office, but also to the lowest Chinese coolie to whom, when applied to, he always took the trouble to explain fully in Chinese what the law actually required. I am very sorry that his much-appreciated services are no longer available to the present Board, as with a secretary sympathetic and knowing the Chinese and their language well, as Mr. Woodcock does, much friction in carrying out sanitary measures would be obviated.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper.—This is a very important change and should be fully discussed.

SHIPPING COMPETITION.

YOKOHAMA-SHANGHAI SERVICE.

A telegram to the Asahi, which is translated by the Japan Mail, states that the competition on the Yokohama-Shanghai line appears to be at an end. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire have been working the line in concert, their only competitor being one steamer of the P. and O. Company. But the last named Company, at the close of 1908 diverted two of its large steamers to the route, and arranged a schedule of six sailings per month against the nine sailings which the Nippon Yusen Kaisha was making with six vessels. Since the beginning of the current year this competition has led a great cutting of rates, but the Osaka telegram alleges that the experience of the past two months has demonstrated to the P. and O. Company that the carrying trade on this line is not worth competition, and its steamers have now been withdrawn so that things are restored to their normal condition. The telegram adds that good cargoes of sugar and cotton yarn are now obtained.—Kobe Herald.

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING.

ANOTHER FIND.

Nearly eight kilos of opium were found in the baggage of a Chinese passenger by Inspector Julio Gomez of the baggage division this morning, reports the Manila Times of 26th March. At ten thirty, when the chief of the division and Inspector Kelsey were out boarding the train, a Chinaman came into the office and claimed a basket as his baggage which came in on the Telung last week. Upon being opened the basket was found to contain one blanket, two or three shirts, packages of cigarettes, four small tins of opium lying loose among the other articles, and the bottom of the basket being filled with a flat tin of the drug.

The Chinaman gave the name of Tan Bao and was taken in charge by Chief Lawrie, of the customs secret service. It is not thought that the basket belonged to the Chinaman, but for it this morning as it seems improbable he would expect to get the opium through the customs examination. Those who saw the way in which the opium was apparently thrown into the basket among the other articles without any attempt at concealment and of the opinion that the owner sent this man to get the basket through the customs and did not tell him there was opium among its contents.

Charges will be preferred against Tan Bao to-day.

Mr. Champ Clark, the Democratic Party's leader in the House of Representatives, speaking in Congress, condemned the Payne Bill in unmeasured terms.

The President and Committee of the Progressive National Society (United States) have and the officers of the "Boat" for the South Union of \$500 to the "Boat" for the South Union part of the proceeds of the dinner given by them on March 15th.



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MANILA	"LUONGSANG"	FRIDAY, 2nd April, 4 P.M.
SGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	SATURDAY, 3rd April, 4 P.M.
TIENSIN VIA CHEFOO	"CHEONGSHING"	SUNDAY, 4th April, Daylight.
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AUSTRALIAN PORTS	"CHINHUA"	1st April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"HUICHOW"	1st April, 4 P.M.
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## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIE &amp; Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence" page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
<b>BANKS.</b>								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation .....	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$14,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$4,000,234	Final of £2 and bonus of 5/- for 1908 @ ex 1/8 = \$25.024	5 1/2 %	\$500 sellers London 286
National Bank of China, Limited .....	99,925	£7	£6	\$4,000 \$150,000	\$10,223	3s (London 3/6) for 1903	---	\$11
<b>MARINE INSURANCES.</b>								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited .....	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$232,737 \$241,900 \$187,000	none	\$14 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$187 1/2
North China Insurance Company, Limited .....	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 309,747 Tls. 115,477 \$1,000,000	Tls. 100,512	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	5 1/2 %	Tls. 100 sales
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited .....	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$102,178 \$189,005 \$787,540	\$1,500,000	Final of 5/- making \$45 for 1906 and interim of 30 for 1907	5 1/2 %	\$850 sales
<b>FIRE INSURANCES.</b>								
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$100,032 \$85,137	\$591,763	1st and bonus \$3 for 1906	7 1/2 %	\$225 buyers
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$118,618 \$11,802	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$106 sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$118,618 \$11,802	\$368,711	\$27 for 1907	8 1/2 %	\$315 buyers
<b>SHIPPING.</b>								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited .....	30,000	\$25	\$21	\$7,000	\$1,081	\$1 for 1906	---	---
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$250,000 \$250,000 \$250,000	Nil.	\$24 for year ending 30.4.1908	7 1/2 %	\$8 sellers \$15 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. ....	80,000	\$15	\$11	\$607,500 \$70,421 \$21,344	\$20,279	Final of \$12 making \$24 for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$19 1/2 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) ..	60,000	£5	£5	\$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16 = 55.154	5 1/2 %	\$40 buyers \$20 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited .....	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 12 making Tls. 34 for 1908	7 1/2 %	Tls. 47 buyers Tls. 50 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited ..	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£68,817	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	7 1/2 %	---
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$98	\$10.50 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 \$15
Tiko Tug and Lighter Company, Limited .....	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 48,470 Tls. 44,120 Tls. 8,000 Tls. 7,000	Tls. 2,215	Final of Tls. 11 making Tls. 24 for 1908	11 1/2 %	Tls. 45 sales
<b>REFINERIES.</b>								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000 \$500,000 \$500,000	Dr. \$5,158	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	3 1/2 %	\$137 1/2 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$13,813	---	---	---
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited .....	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,173	---	---	Tls. 125
<b>Mining.</b>								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd. ....	1,000,000	£1	£1	£175,000 £12,280	£11,556	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year end- ing 29.2.08	7 1/2 %	Tls. 18 1/2 buyers
Ruby Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited ..	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £4,191	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	---	\$8 1/2 sellers
<b>Docks, Wharves &amp; Godowns.</b>								
Penwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited .....	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$48,916	Dr. \$7,422	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	---	\$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. ..	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$30,000 \$26,806 \$40,000	\$10,102	Final of \$12 making \$24 for 1907	---	\$49 sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd. ....	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$20,000 \$17,119 \$300,000	\$387,678	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	10 1/2 %	\$80 sales
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd. ....	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 23,742	Interim of Tls. 34 for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	5 1/2 %	Tls. 85 sales
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited ..	15,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 607,257 Tls. 50,000 Tls. 125,000	Tls. 32,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 20 for 1908	6 1/2 %	(ex div.) Tls. 165 sellers
<b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS.</b>								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. ....	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 6,531	Tls. 5 for 1907	---	Tls. 102 sales
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) ..	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$30,000	Dr. \$1,220	\$24 for year ending 30.6.07	---	\$64 sales
Central Stores, Limited .....	50,125	\$15	\$15	\$1,000	21,441	\$1.50 on old and 60 cents on first new issue.	---	\$17 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited .....	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$500,000 \$548,927	\$205	Final of \$3 making \$6 for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$84 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ..	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000 \$211,159	\$26,475	Final of \$3 making \$7 for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$100
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited ..	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,500,000 \$43,461	\$5.86	60 cents for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$18
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited ..	5,000	\$50	\$50	\$250,000	\$278	\$14 for 1908	5 1/2 %	\$30
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited .....	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,233,045 Tls. 314,000	Tls. 142,404	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 8 for 1908	7 1/2 %	Tls. 127 1/2 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited .....	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,968	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	9 1/2 %	44 sellers
<b>COTTON MILLS.</b>								
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. ..	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 45,930	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ending 31.10.1908	4 1/2 %	Tls. 125 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited .....	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 %	90 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ..	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.08 (8 1/2 %)	---	Tls. 92
Leong-kong-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 4,229	Tls. 4 for 1908	---	Tls. 105
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited .....	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 31,172	Tls. 15,911	Tls. 10 for 1908	---	Tls. 360
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited .....	8,604	12 1/2	12 1/2	\$1,500	£648	10 1/4 p. shares or 1907 = \$1.037	10 1/2 %	\$20 sales
China Borneo Company, Limited .....	50,000	\$12	\$12	\$25,000	Nil.	\$1.20 or 1907	9 1/2 %	\$12 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited .....	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	16,138	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	---	\$5
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ..	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$8,000	\$3,407	80 cents for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$9 1/2 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited .....	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$12,000	\$48	\$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 %	\$14 1/2 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited .....	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$12,000	\$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	8 1/2 %	\$9.40 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited .....	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,000	\$351	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 1/2 %	\$12
Hall & Holt, Limited .....	11,000	\$20	\$20	\$180,000	\$8,957	\$2 for year ending 28.2.08	10 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 sales
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited .....	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$9,321	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6 1/2 %	\$19 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited .....	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$150,000	\$9,616	Final of \$15 per share making \$15 for 1908	6 1/2 %	\$180 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000 Tls. 347,500	\$8,500	Final of \$1 per share making \$2 for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$24
Meatschappij tot Mijn- Bosch en Landbouw- exploitatie in Langkat, Limited .....	25,000	Ga. 100	Ga. 100	Tls. 63,714	Tls. 216,682	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 12 for account 1909	6 1/2 %	Tls. 78 1/2 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited .....	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$5,000	\$7,471	80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 1/2 %	\$14
Philippine Company, Limited .....	75,000	\$10	\$10	none	18,640	None	6 1/2 %	\$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited .....	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,605	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 %	Tls. 115 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited .....	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 8,498	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 1/2 %	Tls. 150 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited .....	16,350	£20	£20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 58,124	Final of 27/6 making 52/6 for 1907	---	Tls. 437 1/2 sales
South China Mailing Post, Limited .....	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$56,622	None	---	\$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited .....	30,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 15,205 Tls. 4,000	\$250	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	7 1/2 %	\$5 1/2 sales
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited .....	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 101	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.08	---	Tls. 94 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited .....	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,350	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	5 1/2 %	\$10 sales
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited .....	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$500,000 \$55,000	\$1,350	80 cents on 1/100 rd. shares and \$19.50 on 100 Foundry shares for yr. end. 31.5.07	6 1/2 %	\$13 buyers
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited .....	90,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$6,438	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908	6 1/2 %	\$9 buyers
William Powell, Limited .....	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	\$2,95	Final of 30 cts. making 20 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	---	\$2 1/2 buyers
<b>DIVIDENDS PAYABLE.</b>								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. ....	Tls. 6	April and	---	---	---	---	---	---
Green Island Cement Company .....	50 cts.	" 3rd	---	---	---	---	---	---
China Borneo Company, Limited .....	\$1.20	" 5th	---	---	---	---	---	---
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....	\$15	" 17th	---	---	---	---	---	---
Union Insurance Society .....	\$47	" 21st	---	---	---	---	---	---

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&amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

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